COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 3807-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: HB 1476

Subject: County Collectors: Bad Checks

<u>Type</u>: Original

Date: February 4, 2002

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS							
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005				
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0				

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS							
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005				
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0				

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS						
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005			
Local Government	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown			

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

This fiscal note contains 4 pages.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials of the Office of Prosecution Services assumes no fiscal impact.

Officials of the **Greene County Collector's Office** stated that this proposal would generate approximately \$15,000 annually. Officials stated that they receive about 150 bad checks annually.

Officials of the **Adair County Collector's Office** stated that their office receives about 10 bad checks annually, therefore, this proposal would generate about \$100 annually.

The **Jefferson County Commission** assumes no fiscal impact.

Officials of the **Marion County Collector's Office** stated that they currently collect a \$10 fee on returned checks, therefore, they would expect no fiscal impact.

Oversight assumes this proposal would generate revenue from a \$10 returned check fee to counties. Oversight assumes any fees collected would go to the County's General Revenue Fund, however, this proposal is silent as to where the fee would go. Oversight assumes that counties already have costs of collecting bad checks, therefore, Oversight will show only income to the County's General Revenue Fund.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2003 (10 Mo.)	FY 2004	FY 2005
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2003 (10 Mo.)	FY 2004	FY 2005
<u>Income</u> to County Collectors from \$10 returned check fee	<u>Unknown</u>	<u>Unknown</u>	<u>Unknown</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT TO CERTAIN COUNTY'S GENERAL REVENUE FUND*	<u>Unknown</u>	<u>Unknown</u>	<u>Unknown</u>

^{*} Oversight would expect unknown income to not exceed \$100,000 annually.

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FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

DESCRIPTION

This bill allows a County Collector or Ex Officio Township Collector to assess a penalty on a check taken in payment of taxes which is returned to the collector because the account was closed or did not have sufficient funds. The penalty, in addition to any other penalty or interest owed, will be \$10 or 5% of the total amount of the check, whichever is greater. The penalty may not exceed \$100.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Office of Prosecution Services Greene County Collector Adair County Collector Jefferson County Collector Marion County Collector

NOT RESPONDING

County Collectors of the Counties of: Callaway, Cass, Cape Girardeau, Boone, Holt, Newton, and Taney

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